

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A recording medium comprising a base material and an ink-receiving layer provided on the base material and containing a particulate material, the particulate material containing particles of crystalline aluminum oxide, the ink-receiving layer being obtained by applying a coating solution containing the particulate material to the base material followed by drying to form a coating layer, applying water to the coating layer to cause swelling and pressing the surface thereof against a heated mirror-surface drum to conduct drying treatment, wherein the specular gloss of the surface of the ink-receiving layer is not less than 20% as measured at 20°.